## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Attorney General



## TWO TRIAL ATTORNEY VACANCIES

**Civil Litigation Division, Section III** 

Vacancy Announcements #16-019 & 16-020

Salary Range: \$76,085 - \$90,484 (LS-12/1 to LS-13/1)\*

The Civil Litigation Division of the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia is comprised of four sections and is currently seeking two trial attorneys for Section III. The Division defends the District of Columbia in civil lawsuits filed in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in which plaintiffs seek money damages and/or individual injunctive relief. The cases primarily are in the areas of personal injury (automobile, police false arrest, assault and battery, slip and falls, inmate claims and medical malpractice), claims filed under the D.C. Whistleblower Protection Act and the D.C. Human Rights Act (DCHRA), federal constitutional civil rights claims (e.g., Fourth Amendment claims involving alleged unlawful arrest and excessive force), and employment discrimination claims arising under local or federal law (e.g., sexual harassment and/or discrimination based upon race, gender, or sexual orientation under the DCHRA, Title VII, the American With Disabilities Act, Age Discrimination in Employment Act, etc.). The incumbent will defend the District of Columbia and its executive level agencies, officials, and employees acting within the scope of their employment.

The incumbents will have an individual caseload of approximately twenty-five active civil cases and may work on various litigation teams. The incumbent will file pleadings, conduct and respond to written and oral discovery, conduct and defend depositions, file dispositive motions, negotiate settlements, advise agency personnel on policies and practices challenged in litigation, and conduct trials and contested hearings. There is substantial contact with client agencies and individual clients.

Candidates must have civil litigation experience. Civil jury trial experience is strongly preferred. The successful candidates must have excellent research and writing skills, experience in conducting discovery, including expert discovery, and all aspects of pretrial practice, including motions practice. The candidates must be able to handle multiple

deadlines in a fast-paced environment, and be a self-starter. Experience in handling personal injury, employment discrimination/whistleblower and or claims under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 is highly desirable, as is knowledge of municipal law. Prior judicial clerkship experience is highly desirable but not required.

Candidates must have a law degree and be a member of the District of Columbia Bar or be a member of another bar who is eligible for waiver into the District of Columbia bar within 360 days of appointment to the position.

These positions are within the Collective Bargaining Unit. Candidates may be subject to a background check.

If you are interested in these opportunities, please submit a cover letter summarizing why you are interested and the skills and abilities you possess that will enable you to succeed in this position, a resume, writing sample, and list of three references electronically to <a href="mailto:oag.recruitmentattorney@dc.gov">oag.recruitmentattorney@dc.gov</a>, or by mail to Arlyntha Love, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 1100 South, Washington, D.C. 20001.

Closing Date: February 12, 2016.

Please include both vacancy announcement numbers in your cover letter.

\* Salary in this range will be based on a multitude of factors including applicable rules, regulations and guidelines.

## NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

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